

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW  
CHANGES MADE**

Before paragraph [0001], add the heading --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Before paragraph [0006], add the heading --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Amend the following paragraphs:

[0026] --It is therefore an object of the invention to provide a switching device ~~according to the preamble of claim 9~~, whereby the known disadvantages can be obviated and ring cable lugs can be safely used with such switching device.--.

[0032] -- According to another embodiment of the invention, the platelet can have a through-opening for the clamping screw which can include at least portions of a thread. ~~With the characterizing features of claims 12 and 13~~ According to another feature of the invention, such platelet with an interior thread can be arranged on the thread-free tapered cross-section of the clamping, without adversely affecting the clamping screw when using the clamping opening for cable ends in normal operation. When the clamping screw is unscrewed from the thread of the movable case, the threaded portion of the platelet entrains

the screw, so that the screw can now be completely screwed out of the clamping region which is now formed between the platelet and the clamping support.--.

Before paragraph **[0033]**, add the heading --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--.

Before paragraph **[0040]**, add the heading --DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

Page 16, after the heading "CLAIMS" and before the first claim add --What is claimed is:--.